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Division:	Building Plans & Engineering	Code Interpretation	BP-PP-135
Subject:	MINIMUM EXPLORATION REQUIREMENTS	Effective Date:	07/05/2011
Code:	2012 Southern Nevada Amendments to the IBC Section 1803.3.2	Review Date:	12/12/2016

A. POLICY

Section 1803.3.2 of the 2012 IBC, as amended by the Southern Nevada Amendments, requires a minimum exploration depth of 15 feet. Geotechnical reports written prior to July 5, 2011 shall be allowed to use a minimum exploration depth of ten feet as permitted by the geotechnical engineer of record.

B. PROCEDURE

The plan reviewer shall review the geotechnical report and ensure the appropriate exploration depth is used based on the date of the report and the review of the geotechnical engineer of record.

Revision History:

POLICY #	TITLE	Effective Date	Revised	Reviewed
BP-PP-135	Minimum Exploration Requirements	07/05/2011		10/30/2013
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BP-PP-135	Minimum Exploration Requirements			01/07/2016
BP-PP-135	Minimum Exploration Requirements			12/12/2016

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